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For: SUTURE MATERIAL FOR SURGERY, PROCESSES FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND  
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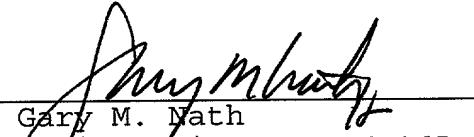
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Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) PTO Form-1082;
- (3) 12 page Application consisting of:  
8 pages Textual Specification  
3 pages of 25 claims  
1 page containing the Abstract of the Disclosure  
0 sheets drawings;
- (4) Unexecuted Declaration/Power of Attorney;
- (5) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

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### TRANSMITTAL FOR NEW U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

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  Executed Inventor's Declaration  
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  Assignment and cover sheet  
  Priority Document

The Government filing fee\* is calculated as follows:

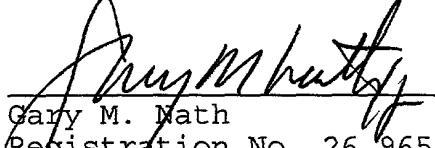
Total Claims . . . . .	<u>25</u>	- 20 = <u>5</u>	x \$18.00 = <u>\$90.00</u>
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- Priority document(s) will be submitted at a later date.
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- Assignment document(s) is/are submitted herewith; the recordation fee of \$40.00 per document is enclosed herewith.
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